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Re: Phase I Bond Release, Miller Canyon Portals, Cottonwood/Wilberg Mines, PacifiCorp

Dear Ms. Grubaugh-Littig:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has received a request from your office for concurrence to the subject bond release. The Miller Canyon portals were used for ventilation air intake and an alternative escape way for the Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine and was located on Federal coal lease U-083066.

We have previously reviewed and approved the sealing plan. The current block seals and backfilled portals meet our standards for protection of the coal resource. The surface reclamation concurrence lies with the Forest Service for these portals. Responsibilities under the jurisdiction of the BLM are complete and we have no objections to releasing the bond for this area.

If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Falk of my staff at (435) 636-3600.

Sincerely,

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for Richard L. Manus
Field Manager

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